

## Centennial Corridor Citizens' Advisory Group Meeting #3

Date: Thursday, May 28, 2009

**Time:** 02:00 p.m. to 04:00 p.m.

Location: TRIP Office

Attendance: Marc Caputo, Resident West of 99

Janet Riden, Business owner West of 99

Ron Fraze, City Fire Chief, Emergency Services

Chris Hall, Administrator of the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Division

of Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Services, Schools

Representative

**Absent:** Curtis Richardson, Resident East of 99

Joseph Leon, Business owner East of 99 Kevin Gonsalves, Resident East of 99 John Ohe, Resident West of 99

Bill Cooper, Kern River Parkway/Bicycle Transportation Tyler Hartley, assistant City Fire Chief, Emergency Services

**Purpose:** The CAG is designed as part of the public participation plan to provide a

mechanism for feedback and communications to and from the project team to the

general public.

Project Staff: Curt Hatton, Caltrans Project Manager

Sarah Gassner, Caltrans Environmental Manager Kate Baldridge, Caltrans Environmental Planner

**Recap:** The meeting began with introductions.

Curt spoke about project information and schedule items. A brief discussion about project status to date occurred and the scheduled milestones for the

project.

Chris Hall, and the CAG wanted to have electronic files of the

Alternatives. They should be placed on the website but in the mean time

electronic files can be sent to the CAG.

Sarah spoke about the Environmental study updates. She talked about studies that are underway on the project. There was a discussion about the community surveys that were sent out.

The CAG would like to know how many of the return surveys were from what regions of the project.

Curt spoke about the High Speed Train (HST) alignment and Alternative D. The group held a discussion on some of the interesting concepts for the HST. The

group talked about the information that had been presented at the HST public information meetings through out the Central Valley.

Kate spoke about the new website for the project that should be live within the next couple of months. She gave a presentation of the website and the various pages and information about the project that will be on the site. Some of the items discussed amongst the group are shown below....

The group would like a FAQ page. CT discussed that there used to be a FAQ page, and when the new site is up there will be one.

In the FAQ, there should be a topic on Funding items related to the project and the current financial situations with the State of California.

CT staff to check with Kirsten Helton for answers to questions from meeting #2

Would like to see TRIP project descriptions.

The discussions on Segment 2 of the project should have a link to the Westside Parkway website.

The CAG would have a page on the website. Still looking at possibility of a blog on this page. CAG members names and phone numbers/emails would be placed on the site for other to contact them.

Project Staff will send out emails and contact members as a reminder of upcoming meeting time and date.

The group talked about a workshop for understanding the Draft Environmental Document (DED). A workshop will be held at the CAG meeting closer to the release of the DED.

The next meeting was scheduled for September 10, 2009, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the TRIP Office.